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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims the benefit of U.S. provisional application serial no. 60/432,302 filed December 10, 2002, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The present invention relates generally to integrated power conversion circuits using a half bridge, and particularly, to integrated power-transistors for a down-converter power supply having improved switching characteristics.